

My name is Jennifer Bailey. I am a resident of Burrillville. I have my masters of science and I practice anesthesia. I am a mother of 3 children, 2 of which were compromised with respiratory illness early in life. My daughter, at a year and a half old, contracted pneumonia and whooping cough, despite being fully vaccinated. Before our son was 2 months of age, he had RSV and whooping cough and was hospitalized for over a week. I was told by a handful of doctors that every time he contracted even a simple cold he would be hospitalized in the years to come and would most likely have pulmonary complications for the rest of his life.

As I laid my head down at night I knew I couldn't accept this... So I did what any other mother would do, I fought for my child. I fought by empowering myself with as much knowledge, research and understanding it took to make changes for my children so they could thrive and reverse the diagnosis that would leave my son to fight for his next breath.

We chose to move to the best location we could find, that could provide the cleanest air. Zambarano hospital, as you may know has a history of serving TB patients in the past because of the air quality. Currently, it continues to do so, serving the most severe respiratory cases in the

state. So for us, the choice was easy to move back to Burrillville where my husband was born and raised and where generations of his family members still reside. Here it would provide the quality of air our son needed along with the love and support of many family members and friends. And guess what? With this and many other changes OUR son is THRIVING!!

Now, a handful of years later, we are faced with the proposal of a 1000MGW power plant. One that will be one of the largest in New England if not the biggest of its kind in the country. This power plant will be 0.7 miles from OUR house and will also be using an unprecedented MTBE water supply. The water use ALONE is a violation of EFSB law.

So this is just a small tip of the ice burg... Not only do I stand here before you and could mention a hundred other reasons, with sound research of why this power plant should NOT be approved. As countless of other extremely educated people have already done. But we know from past impact studies from Ocean State Power proposing the same site, DEM stated QUOTE "This seems by far the most inappropriate place for a power plant." Members of the board, NOTHING has changed...

So not only will this power plant impact our forests, environment, the habitat and animals. It will hurt our families. It will affect all of RI, surrounding states and impact the whole world in MANY different ways...

A recent article from this month states all the pieces are in place for an energy revolution using renewable energy. Fossil fuels are being rejected and renewable and nuclear energy will take over. A recent declaration by the international energy agency said that over a quarter of the world be will powered by renewable energy by 2020. So there is no reason to propose a mega fossil fuel power plant in 2016 that will be outdated before being built.

So in the end...What matters most? After all the known research is submitted, after we have acquired more knowledge from experts. After we know something this enormous can indisputably cause irreversible harm. What really matters? This question can be answered quite simply because we ALL have it in our lives. What really matters most is PEOPLE. Yes, PEOPLE!!! It is NOT our house, education, professions, materialist things, it is not ALL the money and power in the world. NOOOOO it is our loved ones. Our friends and family. In life, FIRST and foremost we are GRANDPARENTS, we are

SISTERS and BROTHERS, AUNTS AND UNCLES,
COUSINS, we are FATHERS AND MOTHERS.
Because that is what matters MOST and WE SEE
EVERYDAY THAT debilitating diseases DO NOT
discriminate, respiratory diseases, genetic disorders and
CANCER DO NOT discriminate. People fill our lives
with so much joy, especially little people who would be
the most vulnerable.

So at the end of the day, members of the EFSB board and
every other person HERE IN THIS ROOM... we ALL
have to lay our heads down to sleep at night....when you
do will you say you did your best to cause no harm, did
what is right based on the knowledge and research in front
of you? Will you say that you fought for the future, for
the ones you love so you will not lose what is precious
and irreplaceable in your life?

Hear these BIG voices of opposition... and hear these
little voices of our future, they are POWERFUL! These
are ALL people who are PRECIOUS and
IRREPLACEABLE. We fight for them and need to
protect them from harm.

**NO TO THE PROPOSED POWER PLANT NO NEW
POWER PLANT!!! Save our future!!**

Germany Just Produced So Much Renewable Energy That It Had To Pay People To Use It

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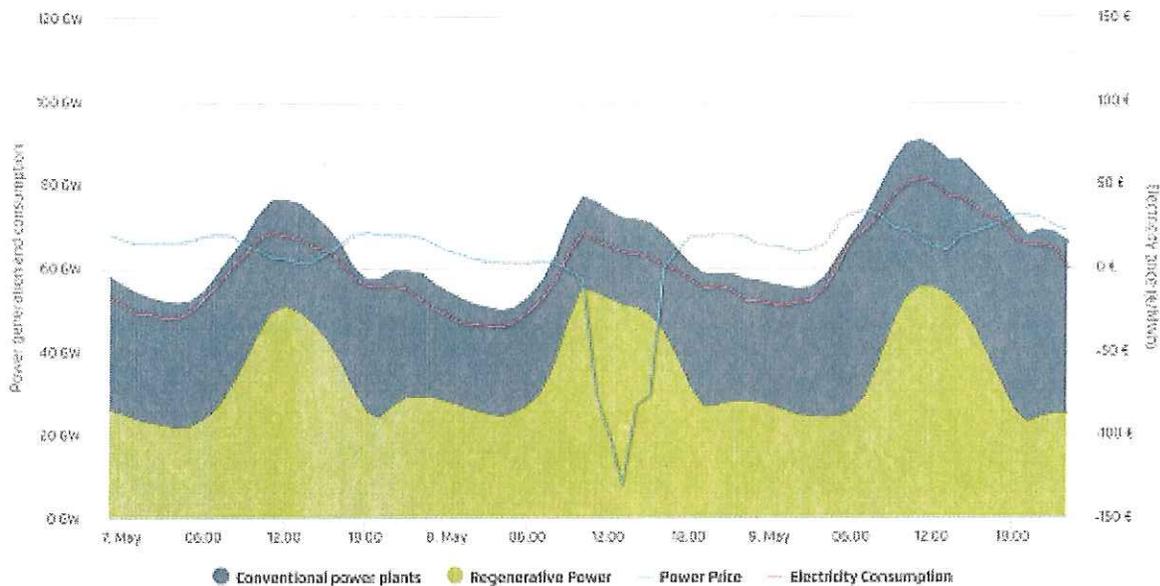
Electricity bills are often ludicrously high thanks to our energy-intensive modern world, but every now and then, thanks to the forces of nature, a metaphorical miracle takes place. As reported by [Quartz](#), Germany just experienced such a phenomenon when a particularly bright and sunny day supercharged their solar and wind power sectors.

Around 1 p.m. on May 8, the nation's renewable energy generating facilities were supplying around 55 gigawatts of the 63 gigawatts being consumed – about 87 percent of the total electricity consumption. With the addition of the country's conventional power plants, the output actually exceeded the national demand. This energy surplus meant that, for a brief time, energy prices were actually negative, meaning consumers were effectively being paid to consume electricity.

A similar feat occurred in [Denmark](#) last year, when a terrifically windy day boosted their wind power sector so much that these turbines alone generated 140 percent of the nation's electricity demand, with the excess energy being exported to Germany, Norway, and Sweden.

According to a [United Nations report](#), Germany intends to be one of the frontrunners when it comes to renewable energy; it has pledged to be powered entirely by renewable energy sources by 2050,

an ambitious feat to say the least. Days like May 8 serve to give this ambition genuine credibility.



Consumers were being paid to buy energy. Agora Energiewende

A recent study suggested that all the pieces are in place for an energy revolution. Fossil fuels would be rejected, and renewable and nuclear energy would take over. A recent declaration by the International Energy Agency, that over a quarter of the world will be powered by renewable energy by 2020, seems to imply that this may be the case – as does the Paris climate change agreement, which can only be successfully implemented if fossil fuels are ditched in favor of renewables.

Countries all over the world are stepping up to the plate, including Germany. Sweden has initiated legislative and infrastructural changes to put it on track to becoming the world's first fossil fuel-free nation; Morocco will soon have a 24/7 concentrated solar power plant that will be able to constantly supply the entire region; the U.S., Canada, and China have all agreed to cooperate to end their reliance on fossil fuels.

As always, though, it's complicated. Many nations increasing their renewable energy generation capabilities are also scaling back on their nuclear power plants, particularly Germany. If they hope to be fossil fuel-free in the near-future, removing their nuclear power plants – which have a near-zero carbon footprint – will greatly hinder them on their quest, along with slowing down their efforts to mitigate man-made climate change.